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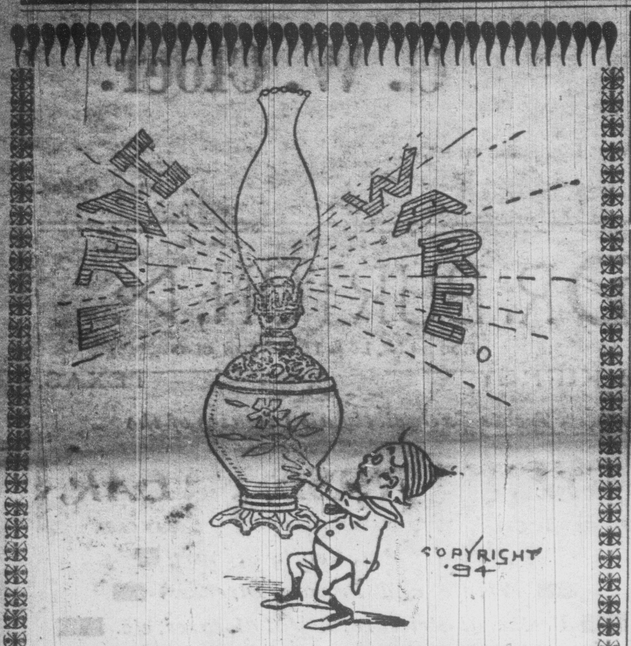

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A MISER'S NEW YEAR.

BY M. QUAD.

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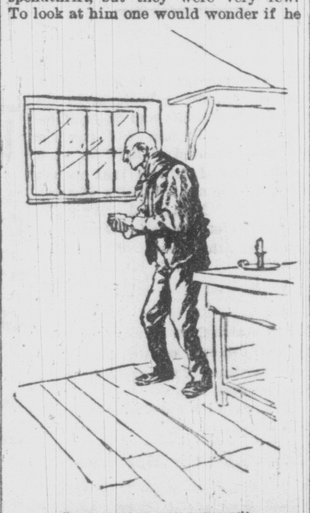
"Miser Jones"—that was what everybody called him, and the title did not displease him. Indeed it rather flattered him. To be a miser meant the possession of money, and money was his god. There were people who could remember him as a young man and a spendthrift, but they were very few. To look at him one would wonder if he had ever been young. He appeared to be 60 years old when people first began to call him Miser Jones, and the passage of time did not appear to affect him. He was wrinkled and skinny and white haired, and men said he would have been dim of sight but for the greed of gain which burned in his eyes till they shone like a wolf's.

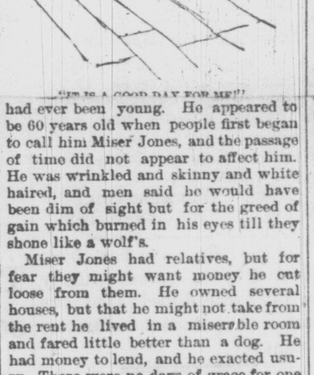

"IT IS A GOOD DAY FOR ME!"

Miser Jones had relatives, but for fear they might want money he cut loose from them. He owned several houses, but that he might not take from the rent he lived in a miserable room and fared little better than a dog. He had money to lend, and he exacted usury. There were no days of grace for one in his debt. Prompt payment must be made, and to the last penny, and neither words nor tears would move him. No charity, no church, no beggar, ever extracted one cent from Miser Jones. He cared nothing for the trials and misfortunes of others, and he was never affected by what men said of him except when some one observed that he could not take his money beyond the grave. That idea alone upset him and detracted from his happiness. He spent hours in wondering if it could not be done, and sometimes he was on the point of asking a lawyer to so arrange matters that his money should at least be buried with him.

The New Year dawned bleak and cold and dreary. There was a high wind, and the air was full of whirling snow, and even had it not been a holiday few people would have moved away from their firesides unless forced to.

"It is a good day for me—a fine day!" chuckled Miser Jones as he looked out on the deserted streets and up at the leaden sky. "No one will disturb me today, and I may sit down and count up my wealth. I am richer than a year ago today, much richer, but I want to know the figures to a shilling—to a penny. They call me Miser Jones, but I can laugh at their sarcasm and abuse. Now we will figure."

Miser Jones had bonds and mortgages and notes and a bank account. He knew the sum total within a dollar, but it was a keen delight for him to sit down and cast up interest again and add it to that you made $450 on that deal. She came to you and wept and prayed, but you rubbed your wrinkled hands in satisfaction."


"SEE! I HAVE BROUGHT THE BOOK."

"One must have a profit when he lends money," replied Miser Jones as he looked at the figures with satisfaction.

"Here is the sum of $600. You loaned money to the owner of a small factory to help start him again after he had been crippled by fire, but what the flames left you soon took possession of. Yes, you made a clean $600 on that transaction. I find the sum of $200 and $275 and $300, a long column of figures here to show the profits of the year just ended and add to your fortune. Miser Jones, you are a rich man."

"Yes, yes—a rich man! I like to hear you say I am rich!"

"But you are an old man. You cannot hope to live a great while longer."

"But I shall live for years and years. I am not so old as you think. Don't talk to me of death."

"You are an old man, and your time has almost come," continued the voice. "You have laid up treasure on earth. into the room under the door and reached almost to the old man's feet.

He looked all about him in a dazed and wondering way and sat down.

"The old year has ended, the new begun, Miser Jones. Human life is counted by days and weeks and months and years. On the tombstones of the dead you may read that they who sleep beneath lived so many years, months and days. It is meant that each and every man should sit down at the beginning of a new year and write the record of the old. You are an old man. You have lived beyond the time allotted to man. Your hand shakes as your fingers guide the pencil. You have been making figures. Let me take the pencil and help you."

"But I want no help!" protested the old man. "You have no right here! You were not asked to come! Leave me, or I will call for help!"

"You are figuring on dollars and cents," said the voice. "There is a long column of figures, and I will look them over with you and help you to find the sum total. You have first recorded the sum of $300. That is money you loaned to a hardworking mechanic and took a mortgage on his home. Misfortune had come to him and still pursues him. You hoped that more trouble would come to him, and it has. You figured from the first that you would get possession of his home for half its value, and yesterday, when he came to you with trembling lips and pleaded misfortune, your heart was like stone. Today you are figuring on your profit."

"But he came to me to borrow and was willing to pay the interest!" protested Miser Jones.

"Here is the sum of $750," continued the voice. "You lent a widow $300 on a mortgage and foreclosed it and drove her out of her house. You know

SOME ONE CRIED OUT THAT MISER JONES WAS DEAD.

Let us see what is to your credit in heaven. There is no money beyond the grave. The souls of the dead are judged by past deeds and not by the amount of gold and silver left behind. Take the pencil, Miser Jones. It shall be left to you to make the record. Have you had sympathy for the ragged and shivering and hungry fellow men who passed your door?"

"But all of them were impostors!"

"Men and women have appealed to you in sickness and misfortune as one fellow man has the right to appeal to another. How have you responded to those appeals?"

"I can't always be giving and giving!"

"Without religion earth would be a desert and man a savage. All that is good and noble and beautiful comes from our faith in God. What have you done to aid the cause?"

"It costs a great lot of money to keep up so many churches!" sighed the old man.

"There are destitute widows, fatherless children and grieving orphans, whom it is our duty to assist. Even a kind word to such is placed to our record in heaven. Write down your credit, Miser Jones."

The old man had nothing to write, no word of reply.

"All around you hearts have ached. Tears of sorrow have been shed. Men have cursed their God because of the coldness of the world. Have you brought a ray of sunlight to a single one one of these?"

Miser Jones had no answer.

"What has your life been made up of? Avarice, selfishness, greed. You have sinned against God and man and yourself. In your greed of gain you have throttled every noble sentiment God placed in your heart as a child. You have sacrificed every principle that makes a man respected and beloved. You have made money, but you have been pointed out as a thing instead of a man. As a human being you have lived to be hated and reviled. After death—what?"

"After death—what?" whispered Miser Jones.

"The recording angel of heaven sets apart a page in her golden book for each human being born into the world. See! I have brought the book that you might gaze upon it. Here is your page—the page on which your name was inscribed as a child. What do you see?"

The old man looked and peered and rubbed his eyes. Blindness seemed to have come to him, and in his terror he groaned aloud.

"Here is the debit—avarice, selfishness, greed, riches. Here should be your credits, but there are none. Look for them. Bend your head to bring your eyes nearer. Today brings a new year. Today you pass from earth to eternity to stand before your God and be judged. This is the record from which he will judge you! I close the book!"

The gale howled about the old house and rattled doors and windows, but Miser Jones paid no heed. Men passed and repassed, some laughing, some cursing, but he did not look out upon them. Noon came, and he sat there with pencil in his fingers and paper before him. The winter day drew to a close, and night came down. At midnight he sat from his window. At midnight he sat where noon found him, at daylight where the winds of midnight had blown the snow under the door and over his feet. When noon came again, some one opened his door and cried out that Miser Jones was dead!

New Year's Don'ts.

Don't fail to receive New Year's day in a smiling face.

Don't usher in that day by declaring you are growing old.

Don't sent word you are out because New Year's calls are out of fashion.

Don't neglect to send a bonbon box to your best girl.

Don't receive an old friend gloomily on that day.

Don't trust to new 1895 and slander old 1894.

Don't fail to send New Year's greetings to those far away.

Don't think you may meet your fate in 1895. Perhaps it will be better to miss him.

Don't be unfriendly. Do all the good you can, and don't slander anybody.

Don't turn over too many new leaves for 1895.

Don't be unhappy about anything. Be a philosopher.

Don't deride the new year.

Don't make the day unhappy.

Don't lose your temper.

Don't fall in love.

Don't declare you hate men.

Don't celebrate too much.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Fact or Fiction About Two Great Fair Awards.

A newspaper paragraph denounces as "false" the claim of a baking powder company to an award at the World's Fair Whom can it mean?

Certainly not Dr. Price's. Why? Because, as the records show, Dr. Price's exhibited, competed, and received the highest award, both at Chicago and the California Midwinter Fair. The award in California included Gold Medal. The official examiners pronounced it the strongest, the purest, the most wholesome and efficient of all the baking powders. Its title to confidence is unquestioned.

Can the manufacturers of a New York powder, fictitiously labelled "absolutely pure" who are making "false" claims? That would be strange indeed, inasmuch as they were not even considered in the awards.

Was it ammonia in the New York powder that prevented its makers from competing? If not what?

Uncle Lewis Sides, of Farmersville, was in McKinney one day recently.

Too Shameful to Sanction.

Speaking of the contest between Tom Watson and Black the Macon (Ga.) Telegraph, (Dem.) says:

"It is far better to have Mr. Watson in congress if he was fairly elected by the people of the Tenth district than to have the people of all districts in Georgia to understand if necessary they will be deprived by fraudulent practices of their right to paticipate in the government of the country."

Referring to the same matter the Charleston News and Courier, one of the leading democratic papers of the south, says:

"It is undoubtly true that the most unblushing frauds were committed by the democrats of Augusta and possibly of other counties in the district and it should be the aim of Major Black and his true friends to remove the cloud upon his title to a seat in congress."

Congressman Black himself alludes to the matter as "this terrible state of affairs" but claims that he is not responsible and "as there is no turning back in this world" there is no way of undoing the election by fraud, but will resign after March 4, 1895, and submit to a new election. The truth is that Tom Watson and not Black, according to the latter's own admission, was elected to congress from the Tenth (Ga.) district and should not be deprived of his rights because Black's friends stuff the ballot boxes.

Japanese Kindness.

A picture of Japanese life drawn by Professor Morse shows a pleasant relation existing between the human and brute creation.

[illegible] meals [illegible] city houses, wild fowl, geese and ducks alight in the public parks, wild deer trot about the streets. He had actually been followed by wild deer in the streets, nibbling melon rind out of his hand, as tame as calves and lambs on our farms. A dog goes to sleep in the busiest streets; cars turn aside so as not to disturb him. One day a beautiful heron alighted on the limb of a tree, and the busy, jostling throng stopped. No one attempted to injure the bird, but several began sketching him.—Youth's Companion.

From Johnson School House.

Editor Democrat:

School is progressing nicely with an enrollment of seventy. Among those who have lately visited the school are Misses Lou Wright-head and Florence Moore; Messrs. Lige Williams, Bob Smith, Will Hendricks, Newsome Elliotte an Neverson Cooper.

Mr. T. D. Bull has returned, after having spent a short while in Arkansas visiting relatives.

Little Charlie, son of Mr. Lem Brown is reported sick with pneumonia, also uncle John Hunter and Nettie Carson are on the sick list.

Messrs Will Hendricks and Alvin Warner intend taking advantage of the excursion rates and visiting their parents in Mississippi. The former will return to Collin county within thirty days, while the latter intends making his home in Mississippi. Mr Warner has many friends here who regret to see him leave but wish him much success.

Mr. Jeff Carson and Miss Tempie DeHoney were united in marriage on the 12th May Heaven's choicest blessings be showered in rich profusion around their future life.

MABELLE.

J. S. Kerr, a young nursery man of Sherman was seen on our streets Friday.

O. A. Murphy, of the firm of J. T Murphy & Son, Murphy, Tex., was called to McKinney on business Saturday. While in our city Mr. Murphy kindly favored THE DEMOCRAT with some job printing.

Honor Roll.

Those who have honored themselves and their country by settling their subscription for the Democrat since our last report:

W J Adams,
T W Franklin,
L Smith,
J H Cable.
G G Thompson,
Henry Shields,
Rev Wm Shields,
L F Allen,
Ed Graves,
H F Doyle,
J R Edwards,
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A gentleman named McKay, passing through McKinney one day lately, had a son that was quite a curiosity. The boy is 12 years old and apparently in every respect properly developed for a child of his age save his head which is of abnormal growth. It measures exactly 32 1-2 inches in circumference and twenty-seven [illegible] inches from [illegible] to front. The father said his child's head began to enlarge when it was about one month old and continued to grow until it was four years of age, since which time the head has not grown any. The child's lower limbs have been paralyzed most of his life, but of late years has been improving in this respect until now he can walk some without the aid of his crutches. He is fairly intelligent for a boy of his age and, though having never gone to school but three months, can read and write quite well, and also posseses some talent for music.

THE DEMOCRAT wants a correspondent in every community in the county to send in brief, newsy local twice a month, anyhow. There are some persons who have promised us to act as such and ceased writing after sending in two or three communications. Please don't do us that way any more, but write and write regularly for we expect it of you and wont get anyone else until you inform us that you do not intend to act as such any longer.

R. D. Thompkins left last Saturday for a visit to his old home in Alabama.

A false fire alarm aroused the people of McKinney from their slumbers Thursday night between eleven and twelve o'clock.

Eugene V. Debs, president of the American railway union was sentenced to six months imprisonment in the county jail in Chicago for alleged contempt by Judge Woods.

Hon. John H Reagan, ex Gov L. S. Ross and L. J. Story are the newly appointed railroad commissioners for Texas.

A racy affair—a runaway match.

CHILLINESS, when other people feel warm enough, is a sign of biliousness, or of malarial poisons—so is a furred or coated tongue, loss of appetite, headaches or giddiness, and a dull, drowsy, debilitated feeling. It's your liver that's at fault. You want to stimulate it and invigorate it with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. With every trouble of the kind, these tiny little things act like a miracle.

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A labor church has been organized in St. Louis.

CONGRESS adjourned the 22d inst. to meet again Jan. 3.

The democratic party is now the "third" party in eleven states.

A populist United States senator will be elected in North Carolina.

THE Omaha platform is good enough for any genuine at heart free silver man.

GOV. HOGG has quarantined against Mexican cattle said to have splenetic or southern fever.

HENCEFORTH Gov elect Culberson may be relied upon to adopt the maxim "promise little and do much."

IT seems a maxim almost self evident that the prices of every thing depend on the proportion between commodities and money.—David Hume.

WHAT Cleveland and his Wall street cohorts want is to increase the value of money that they may more easily monopolize the output.

AFTER all, the monopolists are generous and enduring they have never yet formed a combine to reduce the price of congressmen.

ENGLAND is trying to accomplish in time of peace that which she so ignominiously failed in doing in two hard fought wars.

IT should be made a criminal offense for railroads, telegraph lines, &c, to issue free passes to public officers and also an offense for a public officer to accept one.

W. W. ASTOR'S daily income is $23,277; Rockefeller, $20 853; Cornelius Vanderbilt's $11,090; W. K. Vanderbilt's $10,397; the Goulds', $11,068; and the Texas cotton producer with his family thrown in is about——well, wait till we calculate.

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I had tried many different medicines besides the doctors' treatment, but I decided to give Hood's Sarsaparilla a trial. After using three bottles I got so that I am now able to lie in bed and sleep most of the night. It has benefited me greatly, and I am stouter than I have been for the past three years. I have worked very hard all my life, and had become

Greatly Run Down

owing to my occupation, that of the village blacksmith. Some twelve years ago I had to give up my trade owing to my ill health, and

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now in my sixty-ninth year I feel much better, and it is due to Hood's Sarsaparilla. I can truthfully say to the afflicted Hood's Sarsaparilla is a good medicine." J. B. HASTINGS, Postmaster, Wolf Bayou, Arkansas.

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CRY baby China has sent two commissionere to Japan to sue for peace.

THE total vote cast in the state for populist nominees for congress was 179 083.

HENRY L. Nelson will occupy the editor's chair of Harpers Weekly which has been vacant since the death of George William Curtis.

THE democratic and republican dailies keep standing the heading "Business Troubles," under which failue after failure is recorded each day, and yet these same journals are avowing that populist vagaries would ruin our country.

Now who says John H. Reagan is not a full jewsled democrat? Unsolicited last fall, he solemnly avowed he would retire from the commission whether he was elected or defeated in his race for governor. Instead of retiring he has just taken a new lease on that fat job. Has he kept his promise? What better test is in vogue to sample modern democracy than failing to keep a promise?

DEMOCRATIC papers are raising a mighty roar about farmers giving any attention to politics two years previous to an election. They insist that it is now time to plow, sow and reap. Either give your attention exclusively to raising four cent cotton and forty cent wheat or blossom out a full fledged professional politician like their party leaders is the substance of such teachings. Producers and hardy toilers do you endorse this doctrine that antagonizes an educated ballot? Verily we cannot believe that you do. Emoluments of office is not the incentive that rules the peoples party. If it were this party too would seek preservation in passiveness and ignorance.

From H. L. Sides.

Farmersville, Tex.

Editor Democrat:

Farmersville and community are now garbed in their holiday airs, enjoying Christmas and looking forward hopefully to a happy new year.

Health is splendid.

Weather is mild and clear and we are needing rain badly.

Farmersville pops are looking forward to 1896 with a business eye. They are quietly studying and equiping themselves that they may intelligently and effectively wield the mighty weapons, truth, and justice, of their cause in the inevitable contest for honest government, honorably administered, already brewing.

Since the democratic party has been thoroughly tested and has so signally failed in redeeming its promises, and giving the people demanded reforms, the most loyal democrats are beginning to waver.

The republicans now again have the reins of government and we are looking forward with interest, watching to see them better our financial affairs which we hope they will do, but fear they will not.

The plan of campaign waged against the populist party by the republicans and democrats has been perversion of our principles, misrepresentation and ridicule. The result of these underhanded methods is before us, it was written last November and the people have placed their seal upon this nefarious trickery by almost doubling our vote in two years.

I saw a populist from Delta county recently and he said there was but one democrat left in that county, and he was a monopolist so he wouldn't do for a reformer anyhow.

We received an extra good copy of your paper recently Mr. Editor, better than usual, but when we read in it where you had married we were not surprised at your getting out an extra good paper. May you and your bride live a long and prosperous life is the sincere wish of the writer and your many Farmersville friends.

[Having received several compliments on the improvement in this paper since the editor's marriage, at the risk of being thought egostistic, we take leave to remind our readers that since that important event the paper has been under the exclusive control of the local force, as the proprietor has been and is still in the north.—Democrat force.]

WITH A PROVISO.

I am resolved in ninety-five
To swear off cigarettes,
And on the track, as I have done,
I'll make no racing bets.

With poker chips I'll play no more,
I've had enough of that.
I'll take no girl to see the play
Who wears too large a hat.

I shall not look upon the wine
When it is deeply red,
But quite persistently I'll take
My Adam's ale instead.

In ninety-five I am resolved
To save a goodly sum,
And when it comes to good hard work
I'm going to make things hum.

But these resolves for ninety-five
Are made conditionally,
And that is that the girl I love
Does not go back on me.

TOM MASSON.

A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER.

Thou art our God, Redeemer and Creator;
Thou art "Our Father," dearest name of all.
Great in thy power and wisdom, in love greater,
Therefore we fear not on thy name to call.

Hear us, O Father, as we come confessing
The sins and follies of the bygone years
Grant us forgiveness and with that thy blessing
Our faith to strengthen and our hearts to cheer.

Sweeten for us each bitter cup of duty
Or strengthen us their bitterness to quaff.
Give us to see the King in all his beauty
And to behold the land which is far off.

We thank thee for our being and well being.
Give us uplifting and upholding grace
To serve thee here until, earth's shadow fleeing,
Evermore shall see thee face to face.

The Little Stranger.

New Year's In Canada.

The young Canadian on New Year's morning, after he has taken breakfast with his father, mother, sisters and brothers, wends his way to the best looking girl in the range, and as he very well knows she can't refuse to kiss him on "le jour de l'an" presents himself at her door, there to be warmly greeted and invited to enter.

Taking off his snowshoes—it's easier and more "a la mode du Canadien" to climb over the crusty snowbanks than use a "traineau"—he accepts the invitation, and as he crosses the threshold he gives the girl, for whom he has long cherished a deep regard, a couple of smacks that cause the old folks in the kitchen to question each other as to the origin of the noise. Light drinks are served. That's what the young man does. The young girl waits.

But the old folks do not forget that the day is the first one of the year. So after the work of the household is over they put on their best bib and tucker and hitch up "Monplaisir," and they start out and begin the rounds of making calls, stopping at each house, the old man kissing the neighbor's old woman, and vice versa, rinsing it down with "a la votre" from the sideboard.

Conviviality reigns, good health is drunk, and alcoholism is unknown.

From the time the sun first casts its rays on a Canadian New Year's morning until a week and sometimes two weeks later a round of jollification exists among the French-Canadians of good standing. Every night a dinner is held at one of the "clique," and so on till each has had his "blow out," and finally all relapse into the old rut of common, everyday life, arising at the sound of the angelus in the morning and burning very few candles and still less kerosene in the evening.

Old Scotch Practices.

At New Year's in Scotland children make calls upon their older friends and sing in front of the house, after the style of Christmas carols:

Get up, gude wife, and shake your feathers.
Dinna think that we are beggars.
We are children out for play.
Gie's oor cakes an let's away.

Of a different class are the men who, wearing disguises, call begging upon their richer neighbors and shout:

Get up, gude man; be na sweer,
And deal out bread as long as you're here.
The day will come when you will be dead.
You'll neither care for meat nor bread.

To Get the Best Husband.

A very pretty custom was that of tasting the "cream of the well," the first drink from spring or well on New Year's morn. The first pail of water drawn, "the flower of the well," insured positively the best husband in the parish to the water drawer.

Twall struck—two neebour hizzies rase
An hizzie gaed a sad pace
The flower o' the well to our house gaes,
An I'll hae the heartiest lad yet.

IN THE LAND OF CAKES.

Curious Customs and Myths of New Year's Still Prevalent.

"Hogmanay," as they call their New Year's eve, is the greatest festival of the year in the "land o' cakes" and has many ancient and curious customs and superstitions connected with it. The origin of the name is uncertain, but it is pretty generally conceded to have been derived from the French words "an gui menef" (lead to the mistletoe), in allusion to the ancient Druidical custom of cutting the mistletoe from the oak on the night of the last day of the year. The sacred plant was brought by the priests into the towns and market places and given to the people as an amulet to preserve them from war and other calamities. While they had such a good old tongue as the Gaelic near at hand, it is not to be supposed that the pious Druids spoke to their votaries in the language of Johnny Crapaud. The intimate connection of Scotland and France during the middle ages will easily account for the introduction of the term "hogmanay."

The days about New Year's, which from the revelry and mummery that characterized them were called by the Scotch the "daft days," bear close resemblance to the "fetes des fous," which interfered so scandalously with the vigils in the French churches during the sixteenth century that they were finally put down by the bishop of Angres in 1598. During these "fetes des fous" bands of beggars clad in fantastic garbs broke into the churches on the eve of the New Year, and after singing [illegible] the worshipers.

The modern Scotch representatives of these obtrusive beggars were known as the "guisards" or "gyzars." These were harmless and entertaining maskers, who were generally admitted into the houses of the best families in the country, where, after singing their carols, they were permitted to dance with the members of the household.

Many assert that the hoghmen, or hillmen, were the good genii versus the trolls, or evil ones, who were the beings referred to; hence the ditty:

Hogmanay, Trollolay,
Gie me o' your white bread.
I'll hae nane o' your gray.

The white bread, signifying the good things of life, versus the gray, or evil ones. A very popular rhyme, with a moral, is one freely sung in the northeastern counties of Scotland:

Get up, gude wife, and binna sweir [lazy]
And deal your bread to them that's here,
For the time will come when ye'll be dead,
And then ye'll neither need ale nor bread.
My feet's cauld, my shoon's thin.
Gie's my cakes and let me rin.

Having chalked the doors with the New Year's numbers, they depart to gather coppers, cakes and fruit elsewhere.

At the stroke of midnight each member of the family party would quaff a full bumper of "hot pint" and wish the others a happy New Year and many of them. Then it was customary for the elders to sally forth with a hot kettle, bread and cheese, etc., and pay visits of greeting to the neighbors. The first party to enter a house were called the "first foot" and were warmly welcomed, as their arrival in that capacity indicated good luck. Much kindly rivalry ensued, and from midnight to 1 o'clock the streets were fairly swarming with would be "first footers." This custom was still prevalent in Scott's day.

Irish New Year's Cakes.

In County Antrim in Ireland among the Scotch-Irish oaten bannocks, with a hole in the middle, like our doughnuts, are specially baked for gift cakes. In other Irish counties a cake is thrown outside the door on New Year's eve "to keep out hunger" the ensuing year.

In the isle of Man a curious belief and custom existed till the middle of this century. In each home the housewife smoothed the ashes over the kitchen floor just before stepping into bed. If there were found in the morning on the surface of the ashes anything resembling the print that pointed toward the door, it indicated a death in the family within the year. But if the heel of the footprint were toward the door it was a sure proof that the family would be increased.

What the New Year Brings.

Vacant chairs.
Good wishes without number.
Change, but not always silver.
January—and all the others.
Mistakes—we date our letters wrong.
Friends grown older and a few joyless.
Bills of every description, but every one too large.
Improvements that cause wonder and questionings.
Dividends without variety, all shrunk like old flannels.
"The new faces at the door, the new boot on the floor."
New friends? Yes, and worthy ones too. How have we existed without them?

Apropos.

"He was wonderfully careful in fixing himself up before he called on Miss Lordly New Year's day."

"Why don't he do as the storekeepers do—display the sign, 'Holiday presence?'"

NEW YEAR THOUGHT

WHAT THE DAY HAS BEEN AND IS NOW.

The Superstitions and the Calling Practice—Why the Custom of Making Calls Has Abated—A Day of Freshness and Recovered Hope.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, though not Jan. 1 always, has been celebrated religiously or socially from time immemorial. The ancient Romans consecrated it to Janus, who, it was thought, controlled all beginnings and made sacrifices to him. They exchanged gracious greetings and wishes and gave presents to friends and kindred. The church condemned its social observations and turned it into a religious festival. The Hebrews, the Chinese and other peoples, pagans and nonpagans, regard it superstitiously, attaching the utmost importance to its celebration.

We Americans in the last quarter of the nineteenth century are supposed to be wholly free from superstition. But are we? Not a few of us still imagine that there is something auspicious in New Year's day; that as we begin the year we may so close it. We are solicitous, therefore, to resolve to relinquish bad habits then, under the impression that we shall relinquish them altogether. In other words, we determine on that day to turn over a new leaf, as we have probably determined for many previous years, and there our determination and reformation end. This is exactly the way the old Romans acted more than 20 centuries since, which proves that we have not advanced much in reasonableness, despite our assumptions to the contrary. It is a problem whether men who continue in mature life to yield to their weaknesses or fail to rectify their faults are capable of correcting themselves. Whether capable or incapable, they rarely do so. Their good resolutions seldom bear fruit. They terminate, for the most part, in words, in promises to themselves, in mockeries of performance. What a man is at 40 he is apt to remain. No amount of New Year's resolves will help him who is not full of virtuous endeavor. Jan. 1 dawns brightly to the mind, but the succeeding days conclude dismally as to achievement. Nevertheless its recurrence must ever be pleasant. If it does not bring accomplishment, it at least brings hope, and hope nerves us to bear our burdens, to discharge our duties. Then welcome New Year's. We dearly love to think that the cares and troubles of the old year, which so largely spring from our temperament, will not invade the new one.

Originally New Year's was intended [illegible] a [illegible] calling day, without motive or propriety, into which it ultimately degenerated. It was intended for a day when men who had been prevented during the year by business or any condition of circumstances from keeping up their friendship or acquaintance with women they liked or esteemed should make social atonement for apparent neglect and renew their pleasant relations. The idea was excellent and commendable, as was the custom, and before this city grew to be such a Babylon the calls were agreeable, often delightful, to makers and receivers. But the city became too big, and the community that assumed to represent society in some manner, more or less remote, became too heterogeneous. The custom was grossly abused. Many men and women thought only of the number of calls, ignoring quality for quantity, and sometimes the scenes indoors and outdoors waxed disreputable from overindulgence.

The better sort of people, repelled by the license prevalent, refused to "receive" any longer. The smart set who had long believed calling too "common"—they declared, with their pretense of superiority, that it had grown vulgar—set themselves and their influence firmly against it. They refused to see visitors on that day and soon after shut up their houses and fled to the country, thus setting the seal of fashion on their last decision, which speedily met with social approval. The fact was that respectable folk had got tired of the extreme to which calling had been carried, and the coarse, objectionable class could not sustain it alone. So the whole thing fell to pieces here, and there is no probability of its reconstruction in the immediate future.

The custom extended long ago to other cities and is still followed. But as the metropolis makes the mode its duration is doubtful. New Year's is yet a holiday—holidays are always wholesome—and business of all kinds is suspended. Sons, husbands, fathers, now stay at home, instead of racing about town, tiring and boring themselves to little purpose, and they are gainers, along with their families, by the change. New Year's in its old guise has passed away. But New Year's with its quiet, domestic accompaniments has come to remain. The world moves. And New Year's is still New Year's, with its sense of freshness, repose and recovered hope.

CHARLES APPLEBEE.

New York.

Welcome the Coming, Speed the Parting Guest.

Jersey biscuits, cakes, crackers, etc. at Berry & McDowell.

All Gone.

Stuffer—The Gadsbys have an elegant New Year's lunch, old man.

Dashaway—Have you been there?

Stuffer—Oh, yes!

Dashaway—Then I'll get something to eat before I go.

Ballz City.

It seems that the gulf coast is to be the most desirabl place for settlers in the great South West. The city referred to above is attracting much attention. Secretary E. H. Porter, of Galveston, is being overwhelmed with correspondence making enquiry about Balls City and the fertile fruit and vegetable land surrounding it.

Stock is being fast taken up in the Commercial Travelers City Company and the enterprise is moving at a rapid gait. A fine hotel and many beautiful cottages are in course of construction. Farmers are turning their attention to the surrounding country. It is a fact that the climate is delightful and the conditions most favorable for health.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

THE railway associations that refused to carry the U. S. mail without Pullman sleepers attached are not guilty of any violation of the law. Ah, no! They are chartered corporations. Eugene V. Debs is guilty though, grossly guilty of not being a member of these lecherous combines and consequently he must pay the penalty for his crime.

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THE Carlisle plan has been amended by an almost entirely new bill introduced into the house by the house committee on banking.

The Condition of the Democrats.

Here it is since the late election.

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—Greenville Independent.

Elder S. W. Crutcher goes to McKinney. The News regrets that he has decided to go away from Van Alstyne. Elder Crutcher is a man of ability and a christian gentleman.—Van Alstyne News.

Collin County Alliance.

The Collin county alliance will meet with Verona alliance, 12 miles east of McKinney, Jan. 16. SALLIE STROUP, Sec.

Pubic Lecture.

On Friday night, Jan. 4, an alliance lecture will be delivered at the Johnson schoolhouse. An able speaker will be present, also on the night following the same lectures will be at Midway. Everybody is cordially invited to hear these able and entertaining expositions of alliance principles.

M. P. MONGER,
Pres. Amoga Alliance.

A. J. Rowland, a pioneer of North Texas, died Monday last. He was an old Texas ranger, a Mexican war veteran and for more than fifty years a resident of Collin county.

SANTA CLAUS makes the children happy only once a year, but Tommy Jones tickles them every time they enter his store.

Rev. Truitt, of Waco, delivered one of the best lectures ever listened to in McKinney, last Thursday night, in the hall of the Institute.

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After Jan. 1, 1895 the firm of T. J. Melton & Sons will be dissolved and that of

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Will take its place. Arthur and George Melton retire from the business and T. A. Coleman succeeds them. The new firm will occupy the

H. A. McDonald Hardware Building

South side square, and will be more centrally located. Parties living on the opposite side of town can, therefore be more easily accommodated.

This Week

Ends the year 1894. We want to return our thanks to our friends and customers for their liberal patronage during the past twelve months and assure them that the

NEW FIRM

desires their patronage in the future.

Respectfully,

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After Jan. 1, we will occupy the brick building No. 29 West Louisiana street, formerly occupied by A. T. Wilson & Co's. Restaurant. Cheap rents will enable us to give better prices than we have ever done before.

Come and see us.

ASBURY & SNEED.

Houston and Texas Central Railway Time Table.

Going North,	No. 13	Arrives	5:21 a. m.
" "	" 3	"	10:59 a. m.
" "	" 1	"	8:15 p. m.
" South	" 2	"	8:14 a. m.
" "	" 4	"	4:49 p. m.
" "	" 14	"	9:28 p. m.

Sherman, Shreveport and Southern.

West Bound arrives.

Passenger Arrives..... 4:25 p. m.
Accommodation Arrives..... 10:50 a. m.

East Bound Departs.

Passenger Departs..... 12:09 p. m.
Accommodation..... 4:55 p. m.

LOCAL NEWS.

On to Balls City.

Isom Younger, of Virgey Grove, was in town Monday.

George Melton went to Dallas Tuesday.

J. C. Wylie left Tuesday for St. Louis on business.

Byron Bowers, of Waxahachie, spent Christmas in McKinney.

Mrs Finny and Miss Belle Sprouse, of Denton, are visiting in McKinney.

World's Almanac for 1895 at this office. 25cts per copy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sanford, of Plano, spent Christmas in McKinney.

Rev. H. K. Brouse and lady left to-day for Mississippi to be absent about thirty days.

Misses Mary and Minnie Cummings have gone to central Florida to spend a few months.

Mrs. C. W. Parker, of Sherman, is visiting the family of R. L. Parker in this city.

J. Frank Smith is spending the holidays with his parents in Robinson county, Texas.

Dr. Rucker, of Altoga, went to Richardson on business last week.

W. J. Adams is assisting at the Metropolitan store during holidays.

Postal delivery clerk Will Cloyd is up after a few days' spell of sickness.

Lew Lacy and wife left Saturday for a visit to relatives in Pilot Point and Melissa.

Mrs. E. B Sligh, mother of Prof. T. S. Sligh, has gone on a visit to relatives in Waco.

Tisso's Twenty Living Pictures will be seen at the Opera House, Saturday, Jan. 5.

Miss Inez Anthony, of Terrell, is visiting her brother, J. G. Anthony, in this city.

Mrs. Jerome Sneed is spending the holidays with her parents in the country

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burton are visiting the parents of Mr. Burton in Hartsville Tennessee.

Misses Mary Herndon and Janie Muse are home for holiday vacation from school at Sherman.

There was a union Sunday school Christmas tree, Tuesday, at the Long Neck schoolhouse.

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40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Prof. Hudgins suspended school a couple of days last week to attend the bedside of a sick child.

The Christmas trees and Christmas exercises were well attended at all the churches Monday evening.

$40 guaranteed each month. Call on or write G. W. T., 1st door north of Allen's Meat Market, P. O. Box 52, McKinney, Texas.

The following young ladies of the Institute are enjoying holiday vacation elsewhere: Miss Willie Thomas at Carroll, Mo.; Miss Carrie Rowe with her parents at Ennis; Miss Olive Standifer at her home in Louisiana; and Miss Erwin with relatives in Sherman.

For rheumatism I have found nothing equal to Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It relieves the pain as soon as applied. J. W. Young, West Liberty, W. Va. The prompt relief it affords is alone worth many times the cost, 50 cents. Its continued use will effect a permatent cure For sale by H. C. Herndon.

Addison Bryant, Tom Mantooth and Jim Rainwater are among the Collin county citiens who are visiting their friends and old home in Tennessee.

W. A. Smith and Comer Richardson, of Blue Ridge, are revisiting the scenes of their childhood in Tennessee, Mr. Smith's parents will return with him to Texas where they will reside in the future.

Ray Kirkpatrick and Dud Perkins, of Bryan, Bob Moulden, Todd Largent, of Thorp Springs, and Mack Harris, of Baylor university, all McKinney boys, are enjoying holiday vacation at home this week.

Miles Cope, a former well known Collin county citizen living at Copeville, was in McKinney last week on business. His home is now in Callahan county, Tex.

Pure Scuppernong wine at Howard & Williams.

The management of Heard's Opera House refused this week to play a female minstrel show and says he will not permit any thing in the Opera House that the ladies cannot go to see.

We are glad to know that our friend and local editor of this paper, W. B. Wilson is no longer sockless, having received a pair of nice red stockings on the Christmas tree.

A FRIEND.

Mr. Ira P. Wetmore, a prominent real estate agent of San Angelo, Texas, has used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy in his family for several years as occasion required, and always with perfect success. He says: "I find it a perfect cure for our baby when troubled with colic or dysentery. I now feel that my outfit is not complet without a bottle of this remedy at home or on a trip away from home." For sale by H. C. Herndon.

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E. W. Kirkpatrick left Saturday morning to visit his old home in Tennessee for the first time in 37 years.

Miss Daisy Harris, who has been attending Baylor university, is at home for the holidays,

Mr B C. Reynolds and lady of Fayburg, paid The Democrat a visit recently and Mr. R. took occasion to advance a little cash on subscription, wisely observing while doing so "that the editor is married now and I know he needs all the help he can get."

Our Clubbing Rates.

The Democrat and Dallas News,	$2.00
" " " Ft. Worth Gazette	2.00
" " " Missouri World	1,75
" " " Globe-Democrat	2.00
" " " Southern Mercury	2.00
" " " Rocky Mountian News	2 00
" " " Peoples Party Paper (Tom Watson's)	2.00

Rev. J. M. Robertson, pastor of the Baptist church, was the surprised subject of a very liberal pounding, Christmas night by the members of his flock and friends in our city.

Dyspepsia seldom causes death, but permits its victims to live on in misery. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.

W. T. Hale, of Upper Rowlett, killed a huge poland china porker last week that netted 669 pounds and rendered 33 gallons of lard.

Thornt Shirley and Miss Gracie Mahar, of Van Alstyne, attended the annual Christmas ball in McKinney, Tuesday night.

W. H. Holmes, a well known citizen of Bethel vincinity, gave a Christmas dinner to his children Tuesday. His daughters, Mesdames Seeley and Waterman, of this city, attended.

Pickens Walker came up Sunday evening from Dallas to spend a few days with his brother, George Walker, in this city.

Any one who has children will rejoice with L. B. Mulford of Plainfield, N. J. His little boy, five years of age, was sick with croup. For two days and nights he tried various remedies recommended by friends and neighbors. He says: "I thought sure I would lose him. I had seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised and thought I would try it as a last hope and am happy to say that after two doses he slept till morning. I gave it to him next day and a cure was effected. I keep this remedy in the house now and as soon as any of my children show signs of croup I give it to them and that is the last of it.". 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by H. C. Herndon.

Fred Largent and bride arrived home Sunday evening.

C. Westley Goodin and wife are visiting relatives in Sherman.

Rev. J. A. Stafford, presiding elder of this (Greenville) district, preached two able sermons at the Methodist church Sunday.

A NEW RESOLUTION you should form New years day, that is to keep on buying your groceries from Tommy Jones.

Hot fish, oysters and short orders gotten up in the best style at H. A. Kistler & Co's.

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S. E. Corner of Square, McKinney, Texas.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

All goods guaranteed first-class at at Howard & Williams and don't you forget it.

Keep in mind the fact that we are selling our California canned fruits at a very low price. BERRY & McDOWELL.

Go to H. A. Kistler & Co for all kinds of fresh home made candies at special holiday bargains.

Any person wishing to get a nice Christmas cake of any kind go to the Farmers Restaurant. We have a nice assortment of sample cakes on hand and you can order any kind that you wish baked.

If you don't believe what we say, call and see Howard & Williams.

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Each Secretary of Sub-Alliances should send in names of officers and time of meeting and have them recorded. Ed.

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Epworth League meets as follows: Devotional department at 6:15 every Sunday evening. Literary department 2d and 4th Friday nights in each month Business meeting 1st Monday night in each month. Officers: Wallace Hughston, Pres., Richard Allen, 1st V-Pres. Will Robinson, 2d V-Pres., Miss L. M. Sligh 3d V-Pres.

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Masonic Directory.

St. John's Lodge No. 51, A. F. & A. M. meets the 4th Saturday night in each month. E. H. BOWLBY, W. M.
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W. M. BAGLEY, Secy.

McKinney Order Eastern Star Chapter No. 61 meets the 2nd Tuesday night in each month at Masonic hall.
Mrs. M. E. WILEY, Worthy Matron,
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Beck Branch News.

Dec. 18, 1894.

Editor Democrat

The farmers are busy breaking stubble and getting ready to sow grain.

School is in progress at the Beck Branch school house with Miss Maude Farrell as teacher.

Miss Lizzie Netzer left Wednesday to visit relatives in Marshall, Tex.

Mr. Clay Hopkins has left for his home in Arkansas where he will spend the holidays.

The young folks enjoyed themselves splendidly at a party given by Mr. and Mrs. Will Bedell Wednesday night.

Mr. Geo. Skelton is rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy.

Jerome and Jim Ward and lady of Plano, visited their uncle J. R. Hagins Sunday.

A host of young folks enjoyey themselves immensely at a party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Spivey.

Several from B. B. visited the Dublin literary Saturday night and report a very good literary.

Lewis, the little son of Mr and Mrs. Graham has been quite sick for several days.

EBB.

Newsy Notes From Altoga.

Altoga, Tex., Dec. 17, 1894.

Editor Democrat:

We had about concluded that our weddings were over, but the widower's hour begun last Wednesday night at the residence of Mr. B. G. Glass. Mr. J. D. Carson and Miss Simpie DeHoney were united in marriage. Rev. J. H. Vermilion officiating.

J. C. Dunn is closing out his stock of goods preparatory to moving to High Point where he expects to open up again.

William Dunn and family arrived from Tennessee last week to make Texas their future home.

The boys have oiled and laid away their "bikes" till spring.

J. W. George leaves in a few days for an extended visit to friends in Tennessee.

Everybody went to McKinney Friday.

Jas. Stephenson and W. F. Dunn made a flying trip to Merit Thursday.

An infant child of Mr. Guss Glass was buried at the Altoga cemetary Sunday evening.

Miss Sallie Stroup, of Verona is spending a few weeks with Mrs. W. E. Rucker.

Mr. R P. Monger is spending a few days with friends and extoling the merits and beauties of the sand.

That little cold snap last week caused the death of several fine perkers.

Several Altogians spent last evening at Stiff Chapel, preparing for a connert to be given on Dec, 30. NORA.

Blue Ridge Budget.

Blue Ridge, Dec. 18, 1894

Editor Democrat:

Owing to the inclemency of the weather the entertainment given by the young people last Saturday night was not largely attended; but highly enjoyed by the few present. All the characters rendered their respective parts with credit to themselves. The play will be rendered again on next Tuesday night.

Messrs. Jas. Forbes and Will Glenn attended the Institute at Farmersville Saturday.

Preaching at the Methodist church Sunday morning by Rev. D. N. Grounds and at night by Rev. Norwood, the local preacher.

Dr. W. A. Houser and W. H Hicks were in Farmersville last Saturday.

Prof. Trotter will spend the holidays visiting friends at Upper Rowlett and Bethany.

Mr. E. E. Wallace and Miss Glenn were united in marriage Sunday morning at 10 o'clock by Esq. J. C. Sanders.

Our average citizen is thinkof that old gobler that was spared thanksgivings for the sole purpose of being slaughtered Christmas.

W. H. Hicks will spend the holidays with his family at Bethany.

Our merchants' show cases are full to overflowing with pretty things to make the hearts of the little ones glad.

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Plano Foot Ball Team.

Plano, Collin Co., Tex., Dec. 13.—A foot ball team has been organized here and will begin active practice at once. The following are the names of those belonging to the team and their positions: Court Overaker, center; Austin Allen, right guard; Howard Hays, left guard; J. E. De Long, right tackle; Henry Bowman, left tackle; G. A. Barnard, right end; Clarence Klepper, left end; Jack Coffey, quarter; J. S. Oglesby, right half back; W. E. Harrison, left half back; R. L. Gates, full back; substitutes, Frank Hancock, Pete Coffey, Murry Jones, Wood Vance and Harris Wyatt.

A. C Buck's beautiful four year old brown pacing stallion, Reno Clipper, 2 17 1 2, has returned home from the San Antonio and Houston races, where he made a good showing. He has started in several very hard races this fall and has won five, and has got en a piece of the money every time save once. Few if any horses in Texas have made any better showing than he. We believe that his record is no measure of his speed as he has paced miles better than 2 15, and we think he should be a dangerous horse next year.

Eld. A. P. Terrell.

The retiring pastor of the Christian church in McKinney, Eld. A. P. Terrell, his wife and bright little children took their leave of friends in our city, on Dec. 19, and departed for Bowling Green, Florida, to make their future home in that beautiful land of flowers and orange groves. Eld. Terrell and his excellent family leave a whole host of friends in our midst who sincerely regret their departure. THE DEMOCRAT joins in wishing them unbounded success in their distant home.

R. F. PAYNE DEAD.

At his residence on South Chestnut street, at 11.45 p. m., Dec. 13, R. F. Payne died after an illness of several weeks duration. Burial took place Friday at Pecan Grove cemetery under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias of which the deceased was a member. Mr. Payne was also a member of the M. E. church South. He leaves a wife and four grown children to mourn his loss They have the sympathy of every one in this great sorrow that has befallen them.

We received a very interesting communication from L Holt of Verona, entitled "A Prediction Verified," but owing to the press of other matter we were unable to publish it.

T. M. Hinsley, the efficient teacher of the Sister Grove school, is spending the holiday vacation with his parents near Bois d'Arc.

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Football.

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If Harvard had taken our advice of last year, by establishing "a department of pugilism," and appointing our distinguished fellow citizen, John L. Sullivan, first professor, the result might have been different, and if to that department Harvard had added a competent instructor in gambling, much money might have been saved.

We did not risk our moderate means, and so felt very much as the old lady did who, when her husband got into a fight with a bear said, "she didn't care which whipped."

We have recently been sending literature to Spain to aid in abolishing "bull fights."

If we can only get the Spaniards to adopt American college football, perhaps they will substitute for bull fights the prize fights which such vast numbers of our American men and women bet their money on.

But, speaking seriously, we have for several years been spending, in behalf of our "American Humane Education Society," a good deal of money to introduce humanity into our "protestant" american colleges. Not wishing to incur the indignation of the "A. P. A.," or the college "Greek Letter Society," we say "protestant," because, in answer to our inquiry of last year, sent through this paper all over this country, we have not thus far been able to learn of a single case of college outrage in any Roman Catholic educational institution.

In pursuance of our work we have written and sent this paper to all college presidents in the United States, and supplied all their private and college libraries with our humane publications, and have offered several hundreds of dollars as prizes for humane essays and plans, and have sent between one and two hundred thousand copies of humane information to their students.

We do not know what more we can do unless, without violating the law against employing foreign labor, we can import a few Japanese professors to visit our various universities and teach their students humanity.—GEO. T. ANGELL, Pres. Nat. Humane Society.

Great Inventions Which Excited Ridicule.

The question has been asked which useful invention excited the greatest amount of ridicule on its first appearance.

If the umbrella had been an invention, and not merely an introduction, it would probably fill the answer, as it greet with both ridicule and execration when the intrepid John Hanwvy first carried it through the streets of London. Of actual inventions, however, the answer must be the steam engine as applied to locomotion. When George Stephenson first asserted that he could make a steam engine that would draw coaches along smooth iron rails, he was laughed at from one end of the country to the other, and in all ranks of society, from the committee of the house of lords, which examined his project, to the drivers of the stage coaches, who were destined so soon to be superseded. So, too, with the marine steam engines. Both in England and America those who advocated them were openly described as lunatics. Dr. Lardner described the steam navigation of the Atlantic as just as ridiculous as a voyage to the moon a few months before it was actually accomplished. Shortly before this time a once well known engineer said of the proposal to run ships by steam that it was very ingenious, but it never would work, because steam engines required a solid and steady basis to work upon. In short, both land and sea steam locomotion were considered to be absolutely ridiculous until they were actually accomplished.—Harrison's Magazine.

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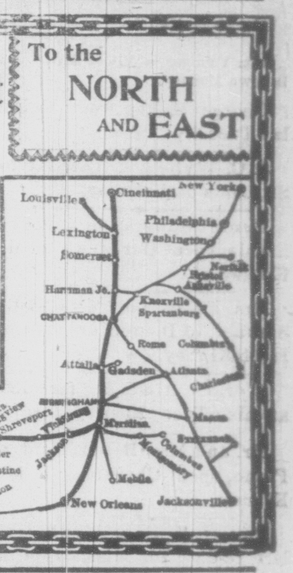

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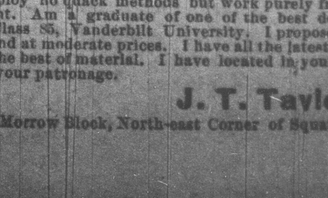

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